



John and Judith Pulver Family 921 West Lovell, Kalamazoo, State Tax Credit Project

“Condemned crack house” and “the gray battleship” were descriptions used for the house at 921 West Lovell, located in Kalamazoo’s South Street Historic District, prior to its rehabilitation. New owner John Pulver and his family rehabilitated the historic resource and turned it into a point of pride for the neighborhood and community. An impeccable exterior restoration included the removal of asbestos shingle siding, reconstruction of the missing front porch, and a new paint color scheme. Pulver also did interior work that included converting the four-unit rental property into three units. All rehabilitation work was completed without increasing the rent. This rehabilitation project demonstrates the impact that historic preservation can have on historic resources and traditional neighborhoods.

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